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CURRENT LEGAL PERIODICALS AND BOOK REVIEWS.

ANALYTICAL TABLES OF THE LAW OF EVIDENCE. FOR USE WITH STEPHEN'S DIGEST OF THE LAW OF EVIDENCE. By GEORGE M. DALLAS, LL. D., and HENRY WOLF BIKLÉ, A. M., LL. B. Pp. ix+89. Philadelphia: T. & J. W. Johnson & Co. 1903.

In his lectures on Evidence in the University of Pennsylvania Law School Judge Dallas has for years used large diagrammatical charts, in order to make the class grasp the subject not as a lot of abstract rules and principles, but rather as a complete system of closely related parts. He believes that Evidence is

pre-eminently a system and unless so viewed can never be fully mastered.

The charts were large and unwieldy; to overcome this difficulty, the authors of the book in hand have reduced the charts to a set of tables, so arranged as to enable the student to see the subject in its entirety.

The Tables are intended as an outline-map of the Rules of Evidence as set forth in Stephen's Digest. Copious footnotes are added where necessary to explain or enlarge on the Tables; there are also references throughout to the second American edition of Stephen's Digest of the Law of Evidence (Chase).

Abundant blank space is furnished, so that the owner can conveniently make permanent notes of his own.

Such a book must prove acceptable to the practitioner, both for a handy reference book and for occasionally refreshing his knowledge of evidence—a part of the law which can never be known too accurately.

It is also a welcome book to students, being primarily intended for their use. As a guide in reviewing for Law School examinations the book has been hailed with delight. In review for county or state Bar examinations the utility of the work will be equally great.

A recent review in the REGISTER mentioned the brevity of a certain book as its only redeeming feature, here on the contrary we feel that the only possible fault to be found is that there is not more of it. As an outline, the Tables with their accompanying notes are all that can be desired, but it is earnestly hoped that the authors of the Tables, encouraged by the favor with which their work will surely be received by the law students and the profession generally, will at an early day undertake a work of greater scope and give us a complete treatise on the law of Evidence—a work which their experience and ability would render peculiarly welcome to the Bar at large.

R. B. W.

MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE, INSANITY AND TOXICOLOGY. By HENRY C. CHAPMAN, M. D., Professor of Institutes of Medicine and Medical Jurisprudence in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. Third edition. Thoroughly revised. 12mo. Pp. 329. Including sixty-four illustrations and four plates in colors. Philadelphia, New York, London: W. B. Saunders & Co. 1903.

The subject of medicine and its relation to law has received a good deal of attention from recent writers, and the importance of medical jurisprudence, etc., justifies this attention. The above work in brief compass meets the demands of the legal